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Scheduled official meetings

Monday, 6 October 2003

Security Council

3.30 p.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Iraq

Other matters

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 23rd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: note by the Secretary-General (A/58/396) . . . . . [16 (d)]
2. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323) [60]; Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1) [10]: joint debate

3 p.m. . . . . 24th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323) [60]; Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1) [10]: joint debate

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs
2. General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 62 to 80): *item 62* (A/58/202); *item 63* (A/58/128); *item 64* (A/58/29); *item 65*; *item 66*; *item 67*; *item 68*; *item 69*; *item 70* (A/58/137); *item 71*; *item 72*; *item 73* (A/58/117, A/58/117/Add.1, A/58/129, A/58/129/Add.1, A/58/130, A/58/138, A/58/162, A/58/176,

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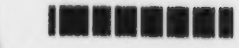

A/58/176/Add.1, A/58/203, A/58/207, A/58/208, A/58/208/Add.1, A/58/274, A/58/848); *item 74* (A/58/122, A/58/139, A/58/177, A/58/190); *item 75* (A/58/27, A/58/42, A/58/259, A/58/316); *item 76*; *item 77* (A/58/163); *item 78* (A/58/132, A/58/132/Add.1, A/58/132/Add.2); *item 79* (A/58/385); and *item 80* (other documents: A/C.1/58/1, A/C.1/58/2, A/C.1/58/3 and A/ C.1/58/INF.1)

Speakers:

Mexico

Italy (on behalf of the European Union)

Brazil (on behalf of the New Agenda Coalition (NAC))

South Africa

Argentina

Jordan

Switzerland

Brazil

Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group)

Nigeria

Indonesia

Venezuela

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Election of Vice-Chairman
2. Agenda items 19, 87, 88, 89 and 12, and 90

General debate on all decolonization items: *item 19* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapters VIII-X, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (D-F), A/58/171; Aide-mémoire 1/03); *item 87* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapter VII, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (A), A/58/69); *item 88* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapter V, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (B)); *items 89 and 12 (*A/58/23 (Part II), chapter VI, A/57/23 (Part III), chapter XII (C), A/58/66, A/C.4/58/CRP.1); and *item 90* (A/58/71)

Second Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

1. Statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
2. General debate

Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77)

Italy (on behalf of the European Union)

New Zealand (on behalf of the Pacific Island Forum Group)

Japan
Russian Federation
Egypt
Pakistan
Brazil
China
Algeria
Namibia
Croatia
Philippines
Cuba
Bangladesh
Turkey

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (A/58/172, A/58/204) . . [105]

2. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (A/58/3[1], A/58/61-E/2003/5, A/58/67-E/2003/49, A/58/79, A/58/229, A/58/159, A/58/153 and A/C.3/58/L.2) . . . . . [106]

3. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing (A/58/160) . . . . . [107]

Introductory statements, dialogue with officials and general discussion

[1] To be issued.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-sixth session (A/58/17) . . . . . [151]

Observer status for the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (A/55/226, A/C.6/58/L.6) . . . . . [159]

3 p.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-sixth session (A/58/17) . . . . . [151]

Working Group on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

[1] Following the adjournment of the 3rd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

Executive session on the United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC)

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Conference Room D

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks)

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda] (29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

Other meetings

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Monday, 6 October 2003

Arab Group *(on Fifth Committee matters) (at the experts level)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Arab Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Arab Group *(on Third Committee matters) (at the experts level)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: agenda item 92)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Group of 77 *(on humanitarian issues)*

1.30–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Group of 77 *(on Third Committee matters)*

1.30–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the global road safety crisis (organized by the Permanent Mission of Oman)

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(at the Third Committee experts level) (on agenda items 105 and 109)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

African Group *(on First Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) *(on First Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on agenda item 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 6 October 2003

Room S-226

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Tuesday, 7 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

First Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3 p.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Second Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

3 p.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Third Committee

10 a.m.	4th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 1

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning[1]–1 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

[1] Following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held as follows: Tuesday, 7 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9; Wednesday, 8 October, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D; and Thursday, 9 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will continue its general debate on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950-C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee (room S-2633; tel. 1 (212) 963-8255; fax 1 (212) 963-0360.

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 274th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 218th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Thursday, 9 October 2003 at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The meeting will be open to observers. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee could be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Chairman of the Committee or to the Secretary of the Committee (room S-3420B; fax 1 (212) 963-6430) any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke (Barbados).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century", organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, from 9 to 9.45 a.m., as follows: 7 and 9 October 2003, in Conference Room 7; and 14, 16 and 17 October, in Conference Room B.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health", organized by the Permanent Mission of China, on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, will be held on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Non-Aligned Movement

There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations of the Non-Aligned Movement on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room D.

There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of Experts on Economic Matters of the African Group on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

There will be informal consultations *(open to experts from the sponsoring countries)* on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, from 2.15 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room E.

There will be informal consultations *(open to experts from interested delegations)* on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education"on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 2.15 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Open-ended consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and Political Participation" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and Political Participation", organized by the United States Mission, on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Special briefings to members of the Fifth Committee

There will be a special briefing by the Secretariat to members of the Fifth Committee on issues relating to the scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations and on the scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operations, on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

There will be a special briefing by the Secretariat to members of the Fifth Committee on issues relating to the programme budget of the United Nations on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on agenda item 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution on agenda item 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly), organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil, on Wednesday, 8 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

International Forum for Social Development

The third meeting of the International Forum for Social Development on "International Migrants and Development", organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held in an informal open debate on Wednesday, 8 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The debate will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Jacques Elmiger, Chairman of the forty-second session of the Commission for Social Development. Speakers will include Ms. Nadine Alvergue de Molina, Director-General for Immigration, El Salvador; Mr. Gerónimo Gutiérrez, Vice-Minister for North America at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mexico; Mr. Jan O. Karlsson, Minister for Development Cooperation, Migration and Asylum Policy, Sweden; Ms. Susan F. Martin, Director, Institute for the Study of International Migration, United States; and Mr. Michael D. Tlhomelang, Director, Ministry of Home Affairs, South Africa. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Background information is available in room DC2-1360 or at the following Web sites: www.un.org/esa/socdev/IFSD/ or www.un.org/esa/socdev/IFSD/3rdmeeting.htm. For further information, please contact the Division for Social Policy and Development (tel. 1 (917) 367-5740 or 1 (212) 963-4596).

Eastern European States Group (of the Fifth Committee)

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European States Group (of the Fifth Committee) on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room D.

Announcements

Reports and background documentation (Second and Third Committees)

Reports and background documentation prepared by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs for the Second Committee and the Third Committee can be accessed by delegates at www.un.org/esa.

Facilities for bilateral consultations

Facilities are available for bilateral consultations during this period. For further information, interested delegations may refer to Note Verbale No. 03-204 or contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (tel. 1 (212) 963-2643).

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Convention on the Rights of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child
Thirty-fourth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Friday, 3 October 2003

918th meeting — The Committee adopted its draft report on the thirty-fourth session and thus concluded the work of the session.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Terms of Reference of the International Nickel Study Group. Geneva, 2 May 1986

Withdrawal: Canada (29 September 2003)[1]

Terms of Reference of the International Copper Study Group. Geneva, 24 February 1989

Withdrawal: Canada (29 September 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

International Convention against the taking of hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Accession: Burkina Faso (1 October 2003)[1]

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

Accession: Burkina Faso (1 October 2003)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Accession: Burkina Faso (1 October 2003)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Accession: Burkina Faso (1 October 2003)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Ratification: United States of America (1 October 2003)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Ratification: United States of America (1 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 16 May 1998

Acceptance: India (2 October 2003)[1]

Amendment to article 74 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 18 May 1978

Acceptance: India (2 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to the Constitution of the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity. New Delhi, 23 October 2002

Acceptance: Lao People's Democratic Republic (2 October 2003)[1]

Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Signature: Fiji (3 October 2003)

Ratification: Fiji (3 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

World Habitat Day

In observance of World Habitat Day, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) will hold an event on the theme "Water and Sanitation for Cities" on Monday, 6 October 2003, from 9.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Screening of the award-winning documentary "Child Soldiers"

A screening of the award-winning documentary "Child Soldiers", organized by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, in collaboration with HBO, will take place on Monday, 6 October 2003, at 6.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of October 2003 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Rwanda
H.E. Mr. Stanislas Kamanzi

Asian States:
China
H.E. Mr. Wang Guangya

Eastern European States:
Lithuania
H.E. Mr. Gediminas Šerkšnys

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Costa Rica
H.E. Mr. Bruno Stagno Ugarte

Western European and other States:
Spain
H.E. Mr. Inocencio F. Arias

Web sites

President of the General Assembly:
www.un.org/ga/president

Presidency of the Security Council:
www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/presidency/

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373
www.un.org/russian/documen/scdocs/committees/1373
www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html

Security Council:
www.un.org/sc

Economic and Social Council:
www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc

Italian presidency of the European Union:
www.italyun.org
http://europa-eu-un.org

Journal of the United Nations:
www.un.org/Docs/journal/Ar/latesta.pdf
www.un.org/Docs/journal/Ch/latestc.pdf
www.un.org/Docs/journal/En/lateste.pdf
www.un.org/Docs/journal/Fr/latestf.pdf
www.un.org/Docs/journal/Ru/latestr.pdf
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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 3 October 2003.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Official Records**
	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/38	Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women — Twenty-eighth session (13–31 January 2003) — Twenty-ninth session (30 June–18 July 2003) — Supplement No. 38 [A C E F R S]

General Assembly	Documents
	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/100/Add.1	Annotated draft agenda of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/58/153	Item 108 of the preliminary list — Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family — Report on the World Social Situation, 2003 [A C E F R S]
A/58/259	Item 76 (b) of the provisional agenda — Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/290	Item 93 (e) of the provisional agenda — Macroeconomic policy questions: external debt crisis and development — External debt crisis and development — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/338	Item 119 (c) of the provisional agenda — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Situation of human rights in Iraq — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/375	Item 131 of the provisional agenda — Joint Inspection Unit — Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the review of the United Nations budgetary process — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/396	Item 16 (d) — Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections — Election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/399 S/2003/929	Items 37, 38, 84 and 103 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories — Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources — Letter dated 1 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
	First Committee
A/C.1/58/INF/1	Documents of the First Committee — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/58/4	Item 124 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Letter dated 1 October 2003 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]
	Sixth Committee
A/C.6/58/L.8	Item 158 — International convention against the reproductive cloning of human beings — 14-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

Security Council

S/2002/1445	Letter dated 18 June 2002 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/856	Letter dated 3 September 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/860	Letter dated 5 September 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/861	Letter dated 5 September 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/918	Letter dated 25 September 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/923	Letter dated 19 September 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2003/924	Letter dated 23 September 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2003/925	Letter dated 24 September 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/399 S/2003/929	Letter dated 1 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2003/930	Letter dated 1 October 2003 from the President of the Security Council to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

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Security Council

4836th meeting

Letter dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/939)

Letter dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/943)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Algeria, Bahrain, Cuba, Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, the Sudan, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations (S/2003/942), requesting an invitation to participate in the meeting in accordance with the Council's previous practice. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the previous practice in this regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the discussion.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations (S/2003/941), the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Yahya Mahmassani, Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

The representative of Israel made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Spain, China, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, Germany, France, Bulgaria, Chile, Mexico, Angola,

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Guinea and Cameroon, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard a statement by Mr. Yahya Mahmassani.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Lebanon, Algeria, Morocco, Jordan, Egypt and Tunisia.

The Permanent Observer of Palestine made a statement.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Bahrain, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Yemen, Qatar and the Sudan.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a further statement.

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Tuesday, 7 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 25th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

3 p.m. . . . . 26th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323) [60]; Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1) [10]: joint debate

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 62 to 80): *item 62* (A/58/202); *item 63* (A/58/128); *item 64* (A/58/29); *item 65*; *item 66*; *item 67*; *item 68*; *item 69*; *item 70* (A/58/137); *item 71*; *item 72*; *item 73* (A/58/117, A/58/117/Add.1, A/58/129, A/58/129/Add.1, A/58/130, A/58/138, A/58/162, A/58/176, A/58/176/Add.1, A/58/203, A/58/207, A/58/208, A/58/208/Add.1, A/58/274, A/58/848); *item 74* (A/58/122, A/58/139, A/58/177, A/58/190); *item 75* (A/58/27, A/58/42, A/58/259, A/58/316); *item 76* (A/58/259); *item 77* (A/58/163); *item 78* (A/58/132, A/58/132/Add.1, A/58/132/Add.2); *item 79* (A/58/385); and *item 80* (other documents: A/C.1/58/1, A/C.1/58/2, A/C.1/58/3 and A/ C.1/58/INF.1)

Speakers:

Nigeria (on behalf of Group of African States)

Malaysia

United States

China

Algeria

Japan

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Republic of Korea

United Arab Emirates

Guyana

Uganda

Pakistan

Romania

Madagascar

Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Requests for hearing (A/C.4/58/2, A/C.4/58/3 and A/C.4/58/3/Add.1, A/C.4/58/4 and A/C.4/58/4/Add.1-9)

2. Agenda items 19, 87, 88, 89 and 12, and 90

   General debate on all decolonization items: *item 19* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapters VIII - X, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (D-F), A/58/171; Aide-mémoire 1/03); *item 87* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapter VII, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (A), A/58/69); *item 88* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapter V, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (B)); *items 89 and 12 (*A/58/23 (Part II), chapter VI, A/57/23 (Part III), chapter XII (C), A/58/66, A/C.4/58/CRP.1)); *item 90* (A/58/71)

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

General debate (*continued)*

Algeria

Namibia

Croatia

Cuba

Bangladesh

Kenya

Yemen

Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group)

Belize (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS))

India

Canada

Indonesia

Myanmar

South Africa

Ecuador

Lebanon

Colombia

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN)

International Labour Organization (ILO)

Singapore

3–6 p.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

General debate (*continued*)

United States of America

Suriname (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM))

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Viet Nam

Ghana

Belarus

Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

Lao People's Democratic Republic (on behalf of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries)

Venezuela

United Republic of Tanzania

Mongolia

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Nigeria

Tajikistan

Kazakhstan

Ethiopia

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (A/58/172 and A/58/204) [105]

2. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (A/58/3[1], A/58/61-E/2003/5, A/58/67-E/2003/49, A/58/79, A/58/229, A/58/159, A/58/153 and A/C.3/58/L.2) . . . . . [106]

3. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing (A/58/160) . . . . . [107]

Continuation of general discussion

[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Organization of work (A/C.5/58/1 and A/C.5/58/L.1/Rev.1)

2. Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/58/5/Add.5, A/58/114, A/58/97, A/58/97/Add.1 and A/58/384) . . . . . [118]

Introduction and general discussion

3. Joint Inspection Unit (A/58/34, A/58/64, A/58/291, A/58/220 and A/58/343) . . . [129]

Introduction and general discussion

4. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [119]

Outsourcing practices (A/57/185, A/57/453 and A/57/7/Add.1)

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: Management audit review of outsourcing (A/58/92, A/58/92/Add.1 and A/58/389)

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: Common and joint services at Vienna (A/58/258, A/58/258/Add.1 and A/58/389)

Introduction and general discussion

5. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 . . . . . [120]

Profitability of commercial activities of the United Nations (A/57/398 and A/57/7/Add.1)

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: United Nations revenue producing activities (A/57/707, A/57/707/Add.1, A/58/7 and A/58/7/Corr.1)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/58/5/Add.5, A/58/114, A/58/97, A/58/97/Add.1 and A/58/384))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Special briefing by the Secretariat to the delegates of the Fifth Committee on issues relating to the Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations and on the Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operation

Sixth Committee

Working Group on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

Strengthening of the United Nations: an agenda for further change: improvements to the current process of planning and budgeting

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda] (29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 9

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks)

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 7 October 2003

JUSCANZ Group

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

9 a.m.–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

OIC Group *(on Sixth Committee matters) (at the experts level)*

9.30–10.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Group of 77 *(on Third Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Arab Group *(on Third Committee matters) (at the experts level)*

2–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

2.15–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) *(at the ambassadorial level)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on nuclear disarmament (organized by the Permanent Mission of Myanmar)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Open-ended consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Women and Political Participation" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Tuesday, 7 October 2003

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Julian R. Hunte, President of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly

12.30 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. John Negroponte (United States), President of the Security Council for October (on the work programme)

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 8 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3 p.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Second Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Third Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3 p.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Morning[1] . . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

[1] Following the adjournment of the 3rd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held as follows: Wednesday, 8 October, *from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber*; and Thursday, 9 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will conclude its general debate on Wednesday, 8 October 2003, (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.) in Conference Room 2. The list of speakers for the general debate and all other items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950-C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Panel discussion

As part of the work of the Second Committee. there will be a panel discussion on "Corporate Responsibility" on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting, organized by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs, will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include Mrs. Halima Embarek Warzazi, Chairperson of the fifty-fifth session of the Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights; Ms. Enery Quiñones, Head, Anti-Corruption Division, OECD; Mr. Fritz Heimann, Chairman, Transparency International-USA; Mr. Peter Utting, Acting Deputy Director and Research Coordinator on Corporate Social Responsibility, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD); and Ms. Malaika Culverwell, Senior Fellow, Royal Institute for International Affairs.

Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4201; or e-mail ecosocinfo@un.org).

Briefing

A keynote address to the Second Committee delegates will be made by Mr. Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel Laureate and Professor of Economics and Finance, Columbia University, on "Prospects for Economic Growth and Future of Development Cooperation", on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, from 9.30 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The

meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 274th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at *11.30 a.m.* in Conference Room 1.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 218th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Thursday, 9 October 2003 at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The meeting will be open to observers. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee could be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Chairman of the Committee or to the Secretary of the Committee (room S-3420B; fax 1 (212) 963-6430) any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

The Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism will give an oral briefing to interested Member States of the United Nations on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke (Barbados).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health", organized by the Permanent Mission of China, on Wednesday, 8 October r 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on agenda item 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution on agenda item 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly), organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil, on Wednesday, 8 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3, and on Friday, 10 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

International Forum for Social Development

The third meeting of the International Forum for Social Development on "International Migrants and Development", organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held in an informal open debate on Wednesday, 8 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The debate will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Jacques Elmiger, Chairman of the forty-second session of the Commission for Social Development. Speakers will include Ms. Nadine Alvergue de Molina, Director-General for Immigration, El Salvador; Mr. Gerónimo Gutiérrez, Vice-Minister for North America at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mexico; Mr. Jan O. Karlsson, Minister for Development Cooperation, Migration and Asylum Policy, Sweden; Ms. Susan F. Martin, Director, Institute for the Study of International Migration, United States; and Mr. Michael D. Tlhomelang, Director, Ministry of Home Affairs, South Africa. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Background information is available in room DC2-1360 or at the following Web sites: www.un.org/esa/socdev/IFSD/ or www.un.org/esa/socdev/IFSD/3rdmeeting.htm. For further information, please contact the Division for Social Policy and Development (tel. 1 (917) 367-5740 or 1 (212) 963-4596).

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century", organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, from 9 to 9.45 a.m., as follows: 9 October 2003, in Conference Room 7; and 14, 16 and 17 October, in Conference Room B.

Eastern European States Group (of the Fifth Committee)

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European States Group (of the Fifth Committee) on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room D.

Non-Aligned Movement

There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of the Convention Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction (item 73 (p)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Thailand)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of the Convention Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction (item 73 (p)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Thailand, on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

There will be informal consultations (open to experts from interested delegations) on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 2.15 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Group of 77 ***(briefing on agenda item 94 (Second Committee))***

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(briefing on agenda item 94 (Second Committee))* on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 3 p.m., in a conference room to be announced.

Special briefing to members of the Fifth Committee

There will be a special briefing by the Secretariat to members of the Fifth Committee on issues relating to the programme budget of the United Nations on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Reports and background documentation (Second and Third Committees)

Reports and background documentation prepared by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs for the Second Committee and the Third Committee can be accessed by delegates at www.un.org/esa.

Facilities for bilateral consultations

Facilities are available for bilateral consultations during this period. For further information, interested delegations may refer to Note Verbale No. 03-204 or contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (tel. 1 (212) 963-2643).

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Monday, 6 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

23rd plenary meeting

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: note by the Secretary General (A/58/396) . . . . . [16 (d)]

The General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, decided to extend the term of office of Mr. Ruud Lubbers as United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for a period of two years, beginning on 1 January 2004 and ending on 31 December 2005.

Statements were made by the representatives of China (on behalf of the Asian States), Lithuania (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Spain (on behalf of the Western European and other States), Costa Rica (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States) and Rwanda (on behalf of the African States).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 16.

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323) [60]*; Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1)* [10]*: joint debate*

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), Algeria, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), the Islamic Republic of Iran, Egypt, Nigeria, South Africa, Norway, Bangladesh, Guatemala, Pakistan and Indonesia.

24th plenary meeting

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323) [60]*; Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1)* [10]*: joint debate*

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda items 10 and 60.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nambia, the Russian Federation, Brazil, Croatia, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Switzerland, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Japan, Jamaica, Serbia and Montenegro, Kuwait, India, Austria and Australia (also on behalf of Canada and New Zealand).

Main Committees

First Committee

2nd meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

The Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs made a statement.

General debate

The Committee began its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements made by the representatives of Mexico, Italy (on behalf of the European Union), Brazil (on the New Agenda Coalition), South Africa, Argentina, Jordan, Switzerland, Brazil, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Nigeria, Indonesia and Venezuela.

Right of reply

In the exercise of the right of reply, the representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

2nd meeting

Election of a Vice-Chairman

Upon nomination by the representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and in accordance with rule 103 of the rules of procedure, the Committee elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Isaac Lamba (Malawi) as Vice-Chairman.

Agenda items 19 (chapters of the report of the Special Committee of 24 relating to specific Territories not already covered by other items), 87, 88, 89 and 12, and 90

The Rapporteur of the Special Committee on Decolonization introduced chapters of the report of the Special Committee (A/58/23 (Parts II and III)).

The Acting Chairman of the Special Committee on Decolonization made a statement on the work of the Committee.

The Committee began its general debate with statements by the representatives of Peru (on behalf of the Member States of the Rio Group), Cuba, Uruguay (on behalf of the member countries of MERCOSUR (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay), as well as Bolivia and Chile)), Venezuela, Egypt, Lebanon, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Kingdom, Indonesia, China and Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the 14 Member States of the Caribbean Community).

A statement in the exercise of the right of reply was made by the representative of the United Kingdom.

Requests for hearing

The Chairman drew attention to aide-mémoire 1/03 containing requests for hearing relating to the questions of the Cayman Islands, Gibraltar and Western Sahara.

The Committee decided to circulate the requests for hearing as Committee documents.

The Committee also decided that the deadline to submit further requests for hearing would be the same day, 6 October, at 6 p.m.; these would be processed as documents to be considered at the next meeting.

The Chairman reminded the Committee that the deadline for submission of draft resolutions/proposals on decolonization and related agenda items was Wednesday, 8 October, at 1 p.m.

The Chairman also informed the Committee of the communication received from the Chief Minister of Gibraltar who wished to make a statement on Gibraltar.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Second Committee

2nd meeting

General debate

The Committee began its general debate and heard an introductory statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

The Committee heard statements by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries (Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovak Republic and Slovenia) and the associated countries (Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey)), New Zealand (on behalf of the Pacific Island Forum Group), Japan, the Russian Federation, Egypt, Pakistan, Brazil and China.

Third Committee

2nd meeting

Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly . . . . . [105]

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family . . . . . [106]

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing . . . . . [107]

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items and heard a statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

The Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the speakers, in which the following delegations took part: Switzerland, Egypt, Sudan, Benin, Syrian Arab Republic, Yemen, Canada, Cuba, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Gambia, Pakistan, Islamic Republic of Iran, Qatar and Nigeria.

The Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development replied to questions raised.

The Committee began its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union), Brazil, Switzerland, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Venezuela, Cuba, Botswana (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community) and Egypt.

3rd meeting

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 105, 106 and 107 and heard statements by the representatives of Denmark, Uruguay (on behalf of MERCOSUR, as well as Bolivia and Chile), Mexico, Australia, Lebanon, China, Benin, Indonesia, Jordan, Japan and the Russian Federation.

Statements were also made by the representatives of UNICEF, the ILO and the World Bank.

The Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development responded to questions raised by the representatives of Egypt, Benin, the Sudan, Cuba, Malaysia, the Syrian Arab Republic and Ireland (on behalf of the European Union).

Organization of work

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for submission of draft proposals under agenda items 105, 106 and 107 was Wednesday, 8 October, at 6 p.m.

Sixth Committee

2nd meeting

Organization of work

The Committee established a Working Group on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism and elected H.E. Mr. Rohan Perera (Sri Lanka) as its Chairman.

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-sixth session . . . . . [151]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 151.

The Chairman of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law introduced the report of the Commission on its thirty-sixth session.

The Legal Counsel made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Sweden (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Belarus, Singapore, Uganda, Venezuela, India, Austria, the Philippines, China, the United States, Cyprus, Australia, Japan, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom.

Observer status for the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance in the General Assembly . . . . . [159]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 159.

The representative of Sweden made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.6.

It was announced that Botswana, Guatemala, Japan, Mauritius, Mexico, Norway, Switzerland and Uruguay had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Community in the General Assembly. [162]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 162.

The representative of Kazakhstan made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.5.

It was announced that Cambodia had joined as sponsor of the draft resolution.

Observer status for the GUUAM in the General Assembly . . . . . [163]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 163.

The representative of Georgia made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.4.

It was announced that Uganda and Uzbekistan had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Observer status for the East African Community in the General Assembly. . . . . [164]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 164.

Statements were made by the representatives of Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania.

The representative of Uganda introduced draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.3.

It was announced that Australia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, the Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Madagascar, Malawi, Portugal, the Sudan, the United Kingdom, the United States and Zimbabwe had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

3rd meeting

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-sixth session . . . . . [151]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 151.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria, Kenya, France, Mexico, Morocco, Algeria, Italy, Spain, Guatemala, Thailand, the Republic of Korea and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The Chairman of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law made a concluding statement.

The Secretary of the Commission and the Chairman of the Committee also spoke.

The Committee thus concluded its discussion of agenda item 151.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Trade and Development Board
Fiftieth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Monday, 6 October 2003

944th plenary meeting *Opening of the session*

The fiftieth session of the Board was opened by H.E. Mr. Dimiter Tzantchev (Bulgaria), President of the forty-ninth session of the Board.

Election of officers . . . . . [1 (a)]

The Board elected by acclamation H.E. Mr. Sha Zukang (China) as the President of the Board.

The President of the Board made a statement.

The Board elected the following 10 Vice-Presidents: H.E. Mr. Michel Adam (Belgium); Mr. Youri Afanassiev (Russian Federation); H.E. Mr. Chitsaka Chipaziwa (Zimbabwe); H.E. Mr. Djismun KASR (Indonesia); Ms. Melissa J. Kehoe (United States of America); H.E. Mohamed Saleck Ould Mohamed Lemine (Mauritania); H.E. Mr. Lester Mejía Solís (Nicaragua); H.E. Mr. Iván Mora Godoy (Cuba); Mr. Mitsunori Nanba (Japan); and H.E. Mr. Dimiter Tzantchev (Bulgaria).

The Board elected Mr. François Léger (France) as its Rapporteur.

Following established practice, the Board agreed that the Regional Coordinators and China, and the Chairmen of the Sessional Committees, would be fully associated with the work of the Bureau of the Board.

Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the session . . . . . [1 (b)]

The Board adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document TD/B/50/1.

Organization of work

The Board approved the proposals for the organization of the work of the session, as contained in a revised timetable, and agreed that, in the course of the session and in the light of developments, changes to the timetable would be reflected in the Daily Journal of the Board.

The Board established the two following Sessional Committees: Sessional Committee I to consider and report on item 3 (Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010: (a) UNCTAD-wide activities in favour of LDCs; (b) The expected impact of recent initiatives in favour of least developed Countries in the area of preferential market access; and Sessional Committee II to consider and report on item 4 (Economic development in Africa: Issues in Africa's trade performance).

The Board elected Mr. Marc Giacomini (France) as Chairman of Sessional Committee I.

H.E. Mohamed Saleck Ould Mohamed Lemine (Mauritania) was elected as Chairman of Sessional Committee II.

General statements

The Secretary-General of UNCTAD addressed the Board.

The representatives of the following countries made statements: Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union), Barbados (on

behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group), Oman (on behalf of the Asian Group), Zimbabwe (on behalf of the African Group), Bulgaria (on behalf of Group D), Benin (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Japan, China, Brazil, the United States and Switzerland.

945th plenary meeting — *Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Capital accumulation, economic growth and structural change* . . . . . [3]

The Officer-in-Charge of the Division for Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD, made an introductory statement on the item.

The general debate was opened and statements were made by the following representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union), Argentina (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group), Oman (on behalf of the Asian Group), Zimbabwe (on behalf of the African Group), the Islamic Republic of Iran, Norway, Indonesia, Algeria, Ethiopia, Nicaragua and Cuba.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Notification under article 4 (3) of the Covenant: Peru (30 September 2003)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Objection to the declaration made by Pakistan upon accession: Russian Federation (22 September 2003)[1]

Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents. Helsinki, 17 March 1992

Approval: France (3 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

Symposium on "Peace on Earth" (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See)

The Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations will hold a symposium on "Peace on Earth" *today*, 7 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of Pope John XXIII's encyclical *Pacem in Terris*. Cardinal Edward Egan, H.E. Mr. Julian R. Hunte, President of the fifty-eight session of the General Assembly, and Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations, will be among the panellists.

DPI/NGO Briefing

This week, the topic of DPI/NGO briefing will be "Maternal Health: The Problem of Obstetric Fistula". The briefing will be held on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The briefing will feature H.E. Mr. Ousmane Moutari, Permanent Representative of the Niger to the United Nations; Dr. Catherine Hamlin, Founder and Director, Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital; and Dr. France Donnay, Chief, Reproductive Health Branch, United Nations Population Fund. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 6 October 2003.

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A/58/214	Items 122 and 123 of the provisional agenda — Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund — Report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board [A C E F R S]
A/58/274	Item 74 (q) of the provisional agenda — General and complete disarmament: transparency in armaments — Continuing operation of the United Nations Register of Conventional Arms and its further development — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/347	Item 157 of the provisional agenda — Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization — *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs* and the *Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council* — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
	First Committee
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Third Committee

A/C.3/58/2	Item 114 — Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.2	Item 106 — Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family — Preparations for the observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family in 2004 — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.3	Item 108 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — International cooperation in the fight against transnational organized crime: assistance to States in capacity-building with a view to facilitating the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the protocols thereto — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.4	Item 108 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — Strengthening international cooperation and technical assistance in promoting the implementation of the universal conventions and protocols related to terrorism within the framework of the activities of the Centre for International Crime Prevention — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.5	Item 108 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — Strengthening international cooperation in preventing and combating trafficking in persons and protecting victims of such trafficking — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/58/L.6	Item 108 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — Preparations for the Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]

Fifth Committee

A/C.5/58/L.1/Rev.1	Status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]

Security Council

S/2002/897	Letter dated 6 August 2002 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/935	Note by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/936	Report of the Secretary-General concerning the credentials of the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic on the Security Council [A C E F R S]

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Wednesday, 8 October 2003

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 4837th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

   Letter dated 25 September 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/918)

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997) concerning Sierra Leone

3.30 p.m.[1] . . . . . 33rd meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 7

[1] The Chairman of the Committee will give an oral briefing to interested Member States of the United Nations, in the same conference room, immediately following the adjournment of the meeting.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 62 to 80): *item 62* (A/58/202); *item 63* (A/58/128); *item 64* (A/58/29); *item 65*; *item 66*; *item 67*; *item 68*; *item 69*; *item 70* (A/58/137); *item 71*; *item 72*; *item 73* (A/58/117, A/58/117/Add.1, A/58/129, A/58/129/Add.1, A/58/130, A/58/138, A/58/162, A/58/176, A/58/176/Add.1, A/58/203, A/58/207, A/58/208, A/58/208/Add.1, A/58/848); *item 74* (A/58/122, A/58/139, A/58/177, A/58/190, A/58/274); *item 75* (A/58/27, A/58/42,

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A/58/259, A/58/316); *item 76* (A/58/259); *item 77* (A/58/163); *item 78* (A/58/132, A/58/132/Add.1, A/58/132/Add.2); *item 79* (A/58/385); and *item 80* (other documents: A/C.1/58/1, A/C.1/58/2, A/C.1/58/3 and A/ C.1/58/INF.1)

Speakers:

Costa Rica

Qatar

Mongolia

Canada

Zambia

Uruguay

Ghana

Belarus

Brazil

Holy See

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Agenda items 19, 87, 88, 89 and 12, and 90

   General debate on all decolonization items: *item 19* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapters VIII-X, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (D-F), A/58/171; Aide-mémoire 1/03); *item 87* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapter VII, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (A), A/58/69); *item 88* (A/58/23 (Part II), chapter V, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (B)); *items 89 and 12 (*A/58/23 (Part II), chapter VI, A/58/23 (Part III), chapter XII (C), A/58/66, A/C.4/58/CRP.1)); *item 90* (A/58/71)

2. Hearing of representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories

3. Hearing of petitioners (A/C.4/58/2, A/C.4/58/3, A/C.4/58/3/Add.1, A/C.4/58/4 and A/C.4/58/4/Add.1, A/C.4/58/4/Add.2, A/C.4/58/4/Add.3, A/C.4/58/4/Add.4, A/C.4/58/4/Add.5, A/C.4/58/4/Add.6, A/C.4/58/4/Add.7, A/C.4/58/4/Add.8 and A/C.4/58/4/Add.9)

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

General debate (*conclusion)*

Ukraine

United Arab Emirates

Saudi Arabia

Burkina Faso

Serbia and Montenegro

Philippines

Cameroon

Uganda

Malaysia

World Bank

Jamaica

Tunisia

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Dominican Republic

Syrian Arab Republic

Senegal

Bolivia

International Labour Organization (ILO)

Cambodia

Nepal

Sudan

Mexico

Belize (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS))

Armenia

Papua New Guinea

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (A/58/172 and A/58/204) [105]

2. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (A/58/3[1], A/58/61-E/2003/5, A/58/67-E/2003/49, A/58/79, A/58/229, A/58/159, A/58/153 and A/C.3/58/L.2) . . . . . [106]

3. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing (A/58/160) . . . . . [107]

Conclusion of general discussion

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[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [119]

   Outsourcing practices (A/57/185 and A/57/7/Add.1)

   Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: Management audit review of outsourcing (A/58/92, A/58/92/Add.1 and A/58/389)

   Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: Common and joint services at Vienna (A/58/258, A/58/258/Add.1 and A/58/389)

   Continuation of general discussion

2. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 . . . . . [120]

   Profitability of commercial activities of the United Nations (A/57/398 and A/57/7/Add.1)

   Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: United Nations revenue producing activities (A/57/707, A/57/707/Add.1, A/58/7 and A/58/7/Corr.1)

   Introduction and general discussion

3. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [124]

   Letters dated 27 June 2003 and 1 October 2003 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/57/39 and A/C.5/58/4)

   Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 129 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/58/34, A/58/64, A/58/291, A/58/220 and A/58/343))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 3rd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Sixth Committee

Working Group on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism

4.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

Status of implementation of actions described in the Secretary-General's report entitled "Strengthening of the United Nations: an agenda for further change"

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks)

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda] (29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 8 October 2003

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Group of 77 *(on Third Committee matters)*

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(on Second Committee matters)*

1.30–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Arab Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Arab Group *(on First Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Arab Group *(on Third Committee matters) (at the experts level)*

1.45–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal consultations on a draft resolution under agenda item 106 (Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Portugal)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Informal consultations on draft resolutions on the preparation for and observance of the International Year of the Family and on the importance of the guidance and the role of parents in the care, control and development of children (under agenda item 106) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Benin)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

African Group *(at ambassadorial level)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (under agenda item 105) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States

3.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

International Forum for Social Development

The third meeting of the International Forum for Social Development on "International Migrants and Development", organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held in an informal open debate *today*, 8 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The debate will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Jacques Elmiger, Chairman of the forty-second session of the Commission for Social Development. Speakers will include Ms. Nadine Alvergue de Molina, Director-General for Immigration, El Salvador; Mr. Gerónimo Gutiérrez, Vice-Minister for North America at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mexico; Mr. Jan O. Karlsson, Minister for Development Cooperation, Migration and Asylum Policy, Sweden; Ms. Susan F. Martin, Director, Institute for the Study of International Migration, United States; and Mr. Michael D. Tlhomelang, Director, Ministry of Home Affairs, South Africa. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Background information is available in room DC2-1360 or at the following Web sites: www.un.org/esa/socdev/IFSD/ or www.un.org/esa/socdev/IFSD/3rdmeeting.htm. For further information, please contact the Division for Social Policy and Development (tel. 1 (917) 367-5740 or 1 (212) 963-4596).

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 8 October 2003

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . Ms. Ann Erb Leoncavallo, Information Officer, United Nations Population Fund; Dr. Laura Laski, Technical Officer, United Nations Population Fund; and Ms. Ellen Themmen, Vice-President for Programmes, Family Care International (to launch *The State of World Population 2003*)

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 9 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 27th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the eighth annual report of the International Tribunal (A/58/140) [53]; Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the tenth annual report of the International Criminal Tribunal (A/58/297) [54]: joint debate
2. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323) [60]; Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1) [10]: joint debate

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Second Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

3 p.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Third Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3 p.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Sixth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

3 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held on Thursday, 9 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the organization of the high-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development (agenda item 104 (b))

Informal consultations on the organization of the high-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development (agenda item 104 (b)), convened by the Office of the President of the General Assembly, will be held on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Second Committee

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950-C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Panel discussion

As part of the work of the Second Committee, there will be a panel discussion on "Corporate Responsibility" on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting, organized by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs, will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include Mrs. Halima Embarek Warzazi, Chairperson of the fifty-fifth session of the Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights; Ms. Enery Quiñones, Head, Anti-Corruption Division, OECD; Mr. Fritz Heimann, Chairman, Transparency International-USA, and Vice-Chairman, International Chamber of Commerce Commission on Anti-Corruption; Mr. Peter Utting, Acting Deputy Director and Research Coordinator on Corporate Social Responsibility, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD); and Ms. Malaika Culverwell, Senior Fellow, Royal Institute for International Affairs.

Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4201; or e-mail ecosocinfo@un.org).

Briefing

A keynote address to the Second Committee delegates will be made by Mr. Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel Laureate and Professor of Economics and Finance, Columbia University, on "Prospects for Economic Growth and Future of Development Cooperation", on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, from 9.30 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 274th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 218th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Thursday, 9 October 2003 at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The meeting will be open to observers. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee could be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Chairman of the Committee or to the Secretary of the Committee (room S-3420B; fax 1 (212) 963-6430) any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

The Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism will give an oral briefing to interested Member States of the United Nations on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke (Barbados).

Other forthcoming meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Eastern European States Group (of the Fifth Committee)

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European States Group (of the Fifth Committee) on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room D.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century", organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, from 9 to 9.45 a.m., as follows: 9 October 2003, in Conference Room 7; and 14, 16 and 17 October, in Conference Room B.

Non-Aligned Movement

There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction (under agenda item 73 (p)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Thailand)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction (under agenda item 73 (p)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Thailand, on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

UNDP presentation on "Biodiversity, Human Health and the Millennium Development Goals"

There will be a presentation on "Biodiversity, Human Health and the Millennium Development Goals", organized by the United Nations Development Programme, in collaboration with the Center for Health and the Global Environment, Harvard University, and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. For further information, please contact Ms. Gelila Terrefe (tel. 1 (212) 906-6476; e-mail gelila.terrefe@undp.org).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

There will be informal consultations (open to experts from interested delegations) on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 2.15 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Group of 77 *(briefing on agenda item 94 (Second Committee))*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(briefing on agenda item 94 (Second Committee))* on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 3 p.m., in a conference room to be announced.

Special briefing to members of the Fifth Committee

There will be a special briefing by the Secretariat to members of the Fifth Committee on issues relating to the programme budget of the United Nations on Thursday, 9 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity (under agenda item 108) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity (under agenda item 108), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, will be held as follows: Friday, 10 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D; Tuesday, 14 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B; and Thursday, 16 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(on Third Committee matters) (at the experts level)*

There will be a meeting of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(on Third Committee matters) (at the experts level)* on agenda items 110 and 111 on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (under agenda item 105) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (under agenda item 105), organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil, on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)* on 14, 21 and 28 October 2003 from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

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Reports and background documentation (Second and Third Committees)

Reports and background documentation prepared by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs for the Second Committee and the Third Committee can be accessed by delegates at www.un.org/esa.

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 7 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

25th plenary meeting

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323)* [60]; *Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1)* [10]: *joint debate

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda items 10 and 60.

Statements were made by the representatives of Belarus, San Marino, Canada, Guyana, Uganda, Mozambique, China, Chile, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United States, the Netherlands, Viet Nam, Portugal, Argentina, Tunisia, Uruguay, Kazakhstan and Zimbabwe.

26th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) . . . . . [124]

The General Assembly took note that the Democratic Republic of the Congo had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter. The Assembly was informed that the information would be reflected in document A/58/360/Add.2, to be issued.

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323)* [60]; *Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1)* [10]: *joint debate

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda items 10 and 60.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Mongolia, Yemen, Malawi, Iceland, Sweden, Ukraine (on behalf of the GUUAM Group), Eritrea, Mexico, Ethiopia, Myanmar, Ecuador, the Sudan, Liechtenstein, Fiji, Lesotho and Poland.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Israel, Japan and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Main Committees

First Committee

3rd meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements made by the representatives of Malaysia, the United States, China, Algeria, Japan, the Republic of Korea, the United Arab Emirates, Uganda, Romania and Madagascar, as well as by the representative of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW).

Rights of reply

In the exercise of the right of reply, the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Japan made statements.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3rd meeting

Requests for hearing

The Committee considered thirteen communications containing requests for hearing, two relating to Gibraltar (A/C.4/58/2 and A/C.4/58/2/Add.1), one relating to the Cayman Islands (A/C.4/58/3) and ten relating to Western Sahara (A/C.4/58/4 and A/C.4/58/4/Add.1-9), which it decided to grant.

Agenda items 19 (chapters of the report of the Special Committee of 24 relating to specific Territories not already covered by other items), 87, 88, 89 and 12, and 90)

The Committee continued its general debate with statements from the representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Nigeria, Algeria, India, New Zealand, the United Republic of Tanzania, Namibia, Zambia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Tunisia, South Africa, Timor-Leste, Gabon and Papua New Guinea.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Second Committee

3rd meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of the Algeria, Namibia, Croatia, Cuba, Bangladesh, Kenya, Yemen, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), India, Canada (on behalf of Andorra, Australia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, San Marino and Switzerland), Indonesia, Myanmar, South Africa, Ecuador, Lebanon and Colombia.

A statement was made by the representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

The observer for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

4th meeting

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Singapore, the United States, Suriname (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Viet Nam, Belarus, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Lao People's Democratic Republic (on behalf of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries), Ghana, Venezuela, the United Republic of Tanzania, Mongolia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Nigeria, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan and Ethiopia.

Third Committee

4th meeting

Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly . . . . . [105]

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family . . . . . [106]

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing . . . . . [107]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of the Philippines, Algeria, Bangladesh, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, India, Bahrain, Azerbaijan, Norway, Myanmar, Sweden and Grenada.

The representative of the International Federation of the Red Cross also made a statement.

5th meeting

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda items 105, 106 and 107 and heard statements by the representatives of Malaysia, the United Arab Emirates, the Republic of Korea, Croatia, the United States, Senegal, Saudi Arabia, the Netherlands, Zimbabwe, Belarus, Ecuador and the Sudan.

The representative of the United Nations Volunteers also made a statement.

Organization of work

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for submission of draft proposals under agenda items 105, 106 and 107 was Wednesday, 8 October, at 6 p.m.

Fifth Committee

2nd meeting

Organization of work

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement

Statements concerning the proposed programme of work by the Bureau were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union), the Syrian Arab Republic and Egypt.

The Committee then approved the proposed programme of work, on the understanding that adjustments would be made as necessary during the course of the session.

Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors [118]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Director of External Audit and Chairman of the Audit Operations Committee, Mr. Alain Gillette, introduced the reports of the Board of Auditors (A/58/5/Add.5 and A/58/114).

The Chief of the Oversight Support Unit of the Department of Management introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/58/97 and A/58/97/Add.1).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/58/384).

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland and Liechtenstein), Australia (on behalf of Canada, New Zealand and Australia), South Africa, the United States, the Russian Federation, Japan and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Director of External Audit and Chairman of the Audit Operations Committee and the Deputy High Commissioner for Refugees replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Yasser Elnaggar (Egypt).

Joint Inspection Unit . . . . . [129]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Armando Duque-González, introduced the reports of the Unit (A/58/34, A/58/64, A/58/291 and A/58/343).

The representative of the Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/58/220).

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), the United States, the Russian Federation, Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Switzerland, Japan, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Egypt and India.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on Wednesday, 8 October, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Ms. Karen Lock (South Africa).

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [119]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

Outsourcing practices and the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on management audit review of outsourcing

The Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/57/185).

The Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Armando Duque-González, introduced the report of the Unit (A/58/92).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/57/7/Add.1 and A/58/389).

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: Common and joint services at Vienna

The Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Armando Duque-González, introduced the report of the Unit (A/58/258).

The representative of the Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination introduced a note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the Chief Executives Board for Coordination (A/58/258/Add.1).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/58/389).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Trade and Development Board
Fiftieth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Tuesday, 7 October 2003

High-level segment

945th plenary meeting — *Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Capital accumulation, economic growth and structural changes in developing countries* [2]

An interactive debate took place with the following panellists: Mr. John Alfred Weiss, Director, Research Institute of the Asian Development Bank (ADB), Tokyo; Ms. Barbara Fritz, Senior Researcher, Institute for Ibero-American Studies, Hamburg; and Mr. Glauco Arbix, Director-General, Institute of Applied Economic Research (IPEA) (Brasilia), and Professor in the Department of Sociology of the University of Sao Paolo.

946th plenary meeting — The general debate concluded its general debate on agenda item 2 and heard statements by the representatives of China, India, the United States, the Republic of Korea, Bangladesh, Belarus and the Russian Federation.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Cocoa Agreement, 2001. Geneva, 2 March 2001

Extension of time-limit for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval until 30 September 2010.

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Communication relating to the declaration made by Pakistan upon accession: Republic of Moldova (6 October 2003)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Communication relating to the reservations made by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea upon signature: Republic of Moldova (6 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO Briefing

This week, the topic of DPI/NGO briefing will be "Maternal Health: The Problem of Obstetric Fistula". The briefing will be held on Thursday, 9 October 2003, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The briefing will feature H.E. Mr. Ousmane Moutari, Permanent Representative of the Niger to the United Nations; Dr. Catherine Hamlin, Founder and Director, Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital; and Dr. France Donnay, Chief, Reproductive Health Branch, United Nations Population Fund. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger"

There will be a ceremony on the occasion of the 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger", organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), on Friday 17 October 2003, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent Missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations System, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-6036 or 963-6319).

Web sites

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

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Daily list of documents issued by Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 7 October 2003.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Official Records**
	Fifty-seventh session
A/57/PV.80	**Meeting held on 29 January 2003, 10 a.m. [F]**
A/57/PV.90	**Meeting held on 18 June 2003, 3 p.m. [F]**
A/57/PV.94	**Meeting held on 15 September 2003, 3 p.m. [E]**

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A/58/27	Report of the Conference on Disarmament — 20 January–28 March, 12 May–27 June and 28 July–10 September 2003 — Supplement No. 27 [A C E F R S]
A/58/PV.3	Meeting held on 22 September 2003, 10 a.m. [E]

General Assembly **Documents**

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A/58/203	Item 74 (q) of the provisional agenda — General and complete disarmament: transparency in armaments — United Nations Register of Conventional Arms — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/328	Item 115 of the provisional agenda — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — Protection of children affected by armed conflict — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/346	Item 157 of the provisional agenda — Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization — Implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/348	Item 95 (b) of the provisional agenda — Sustainable development and international economic cooperation — Human resources development — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/411 S/2003/938	Items 37, 38, 84 and 103 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories — Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources — Letter dated 3 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/INF/58/4/Rev.1	Programme of work of the General Assembly — Schedule of plenary meetings — Note by the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

A/C.4/58/2	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Gibraltar — Request for hearing — Letter dated 18 September 2003 from the leader of the Opposition, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/2/Add.1	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Gibraltar — Request for hearing — Letter dated 29 September 2003 from the leader of the Labour Party Opposition, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/3	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of the Cayman Islands — Request for hearing — Letter dated 17 September 2003 from the President, Cayman Islands

	Chamber of Commerce, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 19 September 2003 from the Secretary of the Federación Estatal de Instituciones Solidarias con el Pueblo Saharaui, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4/Add.1	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 19 September 2003 from the International Association of Jurists for Western Sahara, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4/Add.2	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 19 September 2003 from a Member, Basque Parliament, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4/Add.3	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 19 September 2003 from an Attorney and Member, Bar Association of Las Palmas (Spain), addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4/Add.4	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 27 September 2003 from Frente Popular para la Liberación de Saguía el-Hamra y de Río de Oro (Frente POLISARIO), addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4/Add.5	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 29 September 2003 from a Member, Congress of Las Palmas, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4/Add.6	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 29 September 2003 from a Professor, International Law, University of Málaga (Spain), addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4/Add.7	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 29 September 2003 from Oxfam Solidarity, Belgium, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/C.4/58/4/Add.8	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 1 October 2003 from a Member of the European Parliament, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]

A/C.4/58/4/Add.9	Item 19 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Question of Western Sahara — Request for hearing – – Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Secretary General, American Association of Jurists, addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]

Security Council

S/2003/868	Letter dated 9 September 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/931	Letter dated 2 October 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/933	Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission for the period 16 June-1 October 2003 [A C E F R S]
A/58/411 S/2003/938	Letter dated 3 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2003/939	Letter dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/940	Identical letters dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/941	Letter dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2003/942	Letter dated 5 October 2003 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/4836	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

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Scheduled official meetings

Thursday, 9 October 2003

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Liberia

Other matters

3 p.m. . . . . 4838th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

   International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States, between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1994

General Assembly
Fifty-eighth session

General Committee

On Friday, 10 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, the General Committee will hold an informal briefing, *open to all delegations*, to hear Mr. Jean-Pierre Halbwachs, Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts and Controller, on the programme budget of the United Nations.

The 3rd meeting of the General Committee will be held immediately after the informal briefing (see p. 9)

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

4 p.m. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Oral briefing by the Chairman to interested Member States of the United Nations

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 27th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the eighth annual report of the International Tribunal (A/58/140) [53]; Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the tenth annual report of the International Criminal Tribunal (A/58/297) [54]: *joint debate*
2. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/323) [60]; Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/58/1) [10]: *joint debate*

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 62 to 80): *item 62* (A/58/202); *item 63* (A/58/128); *item 64* (A/58/29); *item 65*; *item 66*; *item 67*; *item 68*; *item 69*; *item 70* (A/58/137); *item 71*; *item 72*; *item 73* (A/58/117, A/58/117/Add.1, A/58/129, A/58/129/Add.1, A/58/130, A/58/138, A/58/162, A/58/176, A/58/176/Add.1, A/58/203, A/58/207, A/58/208, A/58/208/Add.1, A/58/848, A/C.1/58/4); *item 74* (A/58/122, A/58/139, A/58/177, A/58/190, a/58/203, A/58/274); *item 75* (A/58/27, A/58/42, A/58/259, A/58/316); *item 76* (A/58/259); *item 77* (A/58/163); *item 78* (A/58/132, A/58/132/Add.1, A/58/132/Add.2); *item 79* (A/58/385); and *item 80* (other documents: A/C.1/58/1, A/C.1/58/2, A/C.1/58/3 and A/C.1/58/INF.1)

Speakers:

Bahamas (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM))

Kazakhstan

Guyana

Russian Federation

Australia

Kenya

Jamaica

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Namibia

Sierra Leone

Burkina Faso

Nicaragua

Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO)

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

1. General debate *(conclusion)*

Cameroon

Syrian Arab Republic

2. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) (A/58/179, A/58/204 and A/58/72-E/2003/53) . . . . . [98]

Introduction and general discussion

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Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) (A/58/179, A/58/204 and A/58/72-E/2003/53) . . . . . [98]

Conclusion of general discussion

Third Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice (A/58/3[1], A/58/87-E/2003/82, A/58/125, A/58/131-S/2003/703, A/58/165, A/58/222, A/58/223, A/C.3/58/L.3, A/C.3/58/L.4, A/C.3/58/L.5 and A/C.3/58/L.6). . . . . [108]

2. International drug control (A/58/3[1], A/58/124, A/58/131-S/2003/703 and A/58/253) [109]

Introductory statement, dialogue and general discussion

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[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 124 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/C.5/57/39 and A/C.5/58/4)); 118 (Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/58/5/Add.5, A/58/114, A/58/97, A/58/97/Add.1 and A/58/384)); 129 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/58/34, A/58/64, A/58/291, A/58/220 and A/58/343)) and 119 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Outsourcing practices (A/57/185 and A/57/7/Add.1)); and Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: Management audit review of outsourcing (A/58/92, A/58/92/Add.1 and A/58/389)

3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Special briefing by the Secretariat to members of the Fifth Committee on issues relating to the programme budget of the United Nations

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (A/58/33, A/58/346 and A/58/347) . . . . . [155]

Progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new international economic order . . . . . [148]

Observer status for the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance in the General Assembly (A/55/226 and A/C.6/58/L.6) . . . . . [159]

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Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Community in the General Assembly (A/58/143 and A/C.6/58/L.5) . . . . . [162]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.5

Observer status for the GUUAM in the General Assembly (A/58/231 and A/C.6/58/L.4) [163]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.4

Observer status for the East African Community in the General Assembly (A/58/232 and A/C.6/58/L.3) . . . . . [164]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.3

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Cost implications of providing more predictable and adequate conference services to the meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States
2. Comprehensive review of the post structure of the United Nations Secretariat
3. Additional expenditures deriving from inflation and currency expenditures
4. Proportion of General Service staff to Professional staff in the regional commissions
5. Implementation of projects financed from the Development Account: Third progress report

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Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . 274th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

3–6 p.m. . . . . 218th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

1. Parking for diplomatic vehicles
2. Other matters

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 8

3–6 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 8

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks)

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda] (29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

Other meetings

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Thursday, 9 October 2003

Eastern European States Group (of the Fifth Committee)

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Informal consultations of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific (under agenda item 74 (e)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Nepal)

9.45–10.15 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: agenda item 94)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(briefing by Mr. Adnan Amin, Director, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), on the report of the Governing Council of UNEP)*

3–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: on agenda item 92; and other matters)*

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

6–7 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

[1] Following the adjournment of the 7th meeting of the Second Committee.

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61) (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

10 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Presentation of a draft resolution on international cooperation against the world drug problem (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

10–11 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on a draft resolution under agenda item 106 (Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family) (organized by the Permanent Missions of Portugal and Senegal)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on draft resolutions on the preparation for and observance of the International Year of the Family and on the importance of the guidance and the role of parents in the care, control and development of children (under agenda item 106) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Benin)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction (under agenda item 73 (p)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Thailand)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

2.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

African Group *(on First Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal consultations of the Subscribing States to the International Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (The Hague Code of Conduct) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Open-ended informal consultations with the New Agenda Coalition Coordinator on the draft resolutions under agenda items 73 (d) (Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: the need for a new agenda) and 73 (e) (Reduction of non-strategic nuclear weapons) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

3–4.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

UNDP presentation on "Biodiversity, Human Health and the Millennium Development Goals"

There will be a presentation on "Biodiversity, Human Health and the Millennium Development Goals", organized by the United Nations Development Programme, in collaboration with the Center for Health and the Global Environment, Harvard University, and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, *today*, 9 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. For further information, please contact Ms. Gelila Terrefe (tel. 1 (212) 906-6476; e-mail gelila.terrefe@undp.org).

Discussion on improving the effectiveness of the First Committee (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

Members of the African Group are invited to participate in a discussion on improving the effectiveness of the First Committee, organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States, to be held *today*, 9 October 2003, form 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Thursday, 9 October 2003

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Jarmo Sareva (Finland), Chairman of the First Committee (on the Committee's work)

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 10 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

General Committee

10 a.m. . . . . Informal briefing[1] . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal briefing to hear Mr. Jean Pierre Halbwachs, Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts and Controller, on the programme budget of the United Nations

Morning[2] . . . . . 3rd meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Organization of work of the fifty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items . . . . . [8]

(a) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by the Liberia (A/58/233)

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by the Netherlands (A/58/234)

(c) Letter from the Permanent Representative of Mexico addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/58/412)

[1] Open to all delegations.

[2] Immediately following the informal briefing.

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Third Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

3 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Sixth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Working Group on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism

Morning[1] . . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

[1] Following the adjournment of the 5th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Open-ended informal consultations on the organization of the high-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development (agenda item 104 (b))

Open-ended informal consultations on the organization of the high-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development (agenda item 104 (b)), convened by the Office of the President of the General Assembly, will be held on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6

Second Committee *Panel discussion*

As part of the work of the Second Committee, there will be a panel discussion on "Corporate Responsibility" on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting, organized by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include Mrs. Halima Embarek Warzazi, Chairperson of the fifty-fifth session of the Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights; Ms. Enery Quiñones, Head, Anti-Corruption Division, OECD; Mr. Fritz

Heimann, Chairman, Transparency International-USA, and Vice-Chairman, International Chamber of Commerce Commission on Anti-Corruption; Mr. Peter Utting, Acting Deputy Director and Research Coordinator on Corporate Social Responsibility, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD); and Ms. Malaika Culverwell, Senior Fellow, Royal Institute for International Affairs.

Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4201; or e-mail ecosocinfo@un.org).

Briefing

A keynote address to the Second Committee delegates will be made by Mr. Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel Laureate and Professor of Economics and Finance, Columbia University, on "Prospects for Economic Growth and Future of Development Cooperation", on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, from 9.30 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Economic and Social Council

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke (Barbados).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

There will be a closed meeting of the Working Group of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity (under agenda item 108) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity (under agenda item 108), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, will be held as follows: Friday, 10 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D; Tuesday, 14 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B; and Thursday, 16 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Southern African Development Community (SADC)

There will be a meeting of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(on Third Committee matters) (at the experts level)* on agenda items 110 and 111 on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E.

There will be a meeting of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(on the Second Committee matters) (at the experts level)* on Friday, 10 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) *(consultations on First Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) *(consultations on First Committee matters)* on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (under agenda item 105) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (under agenda item 105), organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil, on Friday, 10 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)* on 14, 21 and 28 October 2003 from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: Towards a society for all in the twenty-first Century", organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, on 14, 16 and 17 October 2003, from 9 to 9.45 a.m., in Conference Room B.

Briefing by the Management Committee of the Special Court for Sierra Leone

There will be a briefing by the Management Committee of the Special Court for Sierra Leone for members of the Group of Interested States for the Special Court and other interested delegations, on Thursday, 16 October 2003, 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Announcements

Reports and background documentation (Second and Third Committees)

Reports and background documentation prepared by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs for the Second Committee and the Third Committee can be accessed by delegates at www.un.org/esa.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 8 October 2003

Security Council

4837th meeting

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Letter dated 25 September 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/918)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Italy, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Paddy Ashdown, High Representative for the Implementation of the Peace Agreement on Bosnia and Herzegovina, and to Judge Theodor Meron, President of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the former Yugoslavia.

The Council began its consideration of the item, hearing briefings by Mr. Ashdown and Judge Meron.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, the Syrian Arab Republic, France, Chile, Guinea, Pakistan, the United Kingdom, Spain, Mexico, the Russian Federation, China, Bulgaria, Angola and Cameroon, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries of Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, as well as the EFTA country member of the EEA, Iceland, which aligned themselves with the statement).

Mr. Ashdown and his Deputy, Mr. Bernard Fassier, responded to comments and questions posed by participants.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

First Committee

4th meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements made by the representatives of Costa Rica,

Qatar, Mongolia, Canada, Uruguay, Ghana, Belarus, Zambia and Brazil, as well as by the observer of the Holy See.

On a point of order, the representative of the Netherlands made a statement.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

4th meeting

Agenda items 19 (chapters of the report of the Special Committee of 24 relating to specific Territories not already covered by other items), 87, 88, 89 and 12, and 90)

The Committee continued its general debate with statements from the representatives of Bahrain, Pakistan and Spain.

The representative of the United Kingdom made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples . . . . . [19]

Question of Gibraltar

With the Committee's consent and in accordance with established practice, The Honourable Peter Caruana, Chief Minister of Gibraltar, made a statement.

The representative of Grenada made a statement.

Hearing of petitioners

Question of Gibraltar

On the basis of a decision taken at the 3rd meeting, the Committee heard statements by and Mr. J. J. Bossano, Leader of the Opposition (A/C.4/58/2), and Mr. Daniel Feetham, Leader of the Labour Party (A/C.4/58/2/Add.1).

Question of the Cayman Islands

On the basis of a decision taken at the 3rd meeting, the Committee heard a statement by Ms. Sophia Ann Harris, Cayman Islands Chamber of Commerce (A/C.4/58/3).

Question of Western Sahara

On the basis of a decision taken at the 3rd meeting, the Committee heard statements by Mr. Mouloud Said, on behalf of Frente POLISARIO (AC.4/58/4/Add.4); Mr. Antonio López Ortiz, Federación Estatal de Instituciones Solidarias con el Pueblo Saharaui (FEDISSAH) (A/C.4/58/4); Mr. Felipe Briones Vives, International Association of Jurists for Western Sahara (A/C.4/58/4/Add.1); Ms. Hilt Teuwen, Oxfam Solidarité (A/C.4/58/4/Add.7); and Mr. Miquel Mayol i Raynal, Member, European Parliament Intergroup "Peace for the Saharawi People" (A/C.4/58/4/Add.8).

Organization of work

The Committee decided to hear the remaining petitioners on the question of Western Sahara as well as continue with the general debate, on Friday, 10 October. Following a statement by the Chairman, the Committee decided to take action instead on all draft proposals relating to decolonization and related agenda items on Monday, 13 October.

Second Committee

5th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Burkina Faso, Serbia and Montenegro, the Philippines, Mexico, Uganda, Jamaica, Tunisia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Dominican Republic, Senegal, Bolivia, Cambodia, Nepal, the Sudan, Malaysia, Belize (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)), Armenia and Papua New Guinea.

The representatives of the World Bank and the International Labour Organization (ILO) made statements.

Third Committee

6th meeting

Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly . . . . . [105]

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family . . . . . [106]

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing . . . . . [107]

The Committee continued its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania, Morocco, Nigeria, Uganda, Congo, Malawi, Guyana, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Syrian Arab Republic, Kenya, Mongolia, Eritrea, Mali, Thailand, Pakistan, Cameroon, Nepal and Suriname.

The representative of FAO made a statement.

The observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference also made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda items 105, 106 and 107.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic, as well as by the observer for Palestine.

Fifth Committee

3rd meeting

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [119]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Outsourcing practices and the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on management audit review of outsourcing

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: Common and joint services at Vienna

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania,

Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), the United States and Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada).

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these questions.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on the question of outsourcing practices would be held under the chairmanship of Ms. Karen Lock (South Africa) and on common and joint services of United Nations system organizations at Vienna under the chairmanship of Ms. Nonye Udo (Nigeria).

Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 . . . . . [120]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

Profitability of commercial activities of the United Nations

The Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/57/398).

The Vice-Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Ion Gorita, introduced the report of the Unit (A/57/707).

The representative of the Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination introduced a note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the Chief Executives Board for Coordination (A/57/707/Add.1).

The relevant section of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was before the Committee in document A/57/7 and A/57/7/Corr.1.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would begin on Friday, 10 October, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Jerry Kramer (Canada).

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [124]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to letters dated 27 June 2003 and 1 October 2003 from the President of the General Assembly, addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/57/39 and A/C.5/58/4).

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), the Niger, Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), New Zealand (on behalf of Australia, Canada and New Zealand), Nepal, Pakistan, Botswana (on behalf of the African Group), South Africa, the United States, Cuba, Venezuela,

Saudi Arabia, Nigeria, the Syrian Arab Republic, Guinea, Argentina, Bangladesh and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

Following a proposal by the representative of Uruguay, statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Japan, Australia, Guinea and Trinidad and Tobago.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would begin on Thursday, 9 October, in the morning, in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of H.E. Ms. Inga Eriksson Fogh (Sweden).

Organization of work

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The Chairman also made a statement.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Trade and Development Board
Fiftieth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Wednesday, 8 October 2003

947th plenary meeting

Review of developments and issues in the post-Doha work programme of particular concern to developing countries . . . . . [5]

The Board began its consideration of item 5 and heard a statement by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD.

An introductory statement was made by Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Director of the Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, UNCTAD.

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Italy (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries (Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), which aligned themselves with this statement), as well as by the representative of the European Commission and the representatives of Oman (on behalf of the Asian Group and China), Barbados (on behalf of the Latin American and the Caribbean Group), Zimbabwe (on behalf of the African Group), Benin (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Egypt, Japan, India, Pakistan and South Africa.

948th plenary meeting

The Board continued its consideration of agenda item 5 and heard statements by the representatives of Zambia, the Philippines, Bahrain, the United States, the Republic of Korea, China, Brazil, Uganda, Jamaica, Morocco, Cambodia, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Botswana, Kenya, Jordan, the Russian Federation, Malaysia and Nigeria.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to article 7 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 20 May 1965

Acceptance: Palau (7 October 2003)[1]

Amendment to article 74 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 18 May 1978

Acceptance: Palau (7 October 2003)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Accession: Papua New Guinea (7 October 2003)[1]

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Ratification: Papua New Guinea (7 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO Briefing

This week, the topic of DPI/NGO briefing will be "Maternal Health: The Problem of Obstetric Fistula". The briefing will be held on *today*, 9 October 2003, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The briefing will feature H.E. Mr. Ousmane Moutari, Permanent Representative of the Niger to the United Nations; Dr. Catherine Hamlin, Founder and Director, Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital; and Dr. France Donnay, Chief, Reproductive Health Branch, United Nations Population Fund. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger"

There will be a ceremony on the occasion of the 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger", organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), on Friday 17 October 2003, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent Missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations System, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-6036 or 963-6319).

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